

*Meat Cutting, Packing and  
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# Meat Cutters & Midway Packers of

Joseph Ernest Probst } Butchers  
Albert Kohler }  
Emil Kohler }

Ernest " "

Francis Probst

Reed Kohler

Wm Coleman Sr

Ulrich Probst

Austin Kelly

John Carroll

August Kohler

to about 1940

## Butchering Kist Etc

Joseph E Probst was in  
Slaughter & Butcher business  
- Albert & Emil Kohler

Slaughter House was located  
west & so of Wayne<sup>W</sup> Probst  
home which is located at  
305 W Main St.

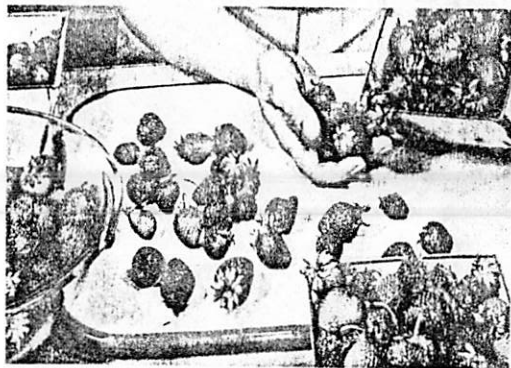
### MIDWAY BIOGRAPHIES

FELIX and ROSA HASLER MARTIN  
were good farmers and honorable citizens.  
They owned the present Albert Kohler farm.  
They had one daughter Norma who married  
Henry Bollschweiler. 691

↓ Felix owned the farm  
which Albert Kohler bought  
(taken for property down  
on West Center St

## Strawberries . . . packed in sugar

Pride of the freezer are strawberries—sliced, sweetened with dry sugar, and frozen. For other fruits packed in sugar, follow the general steps shown here. A pint plastic box is the container illustrated, but other types of containers (p. 4) may also be used.



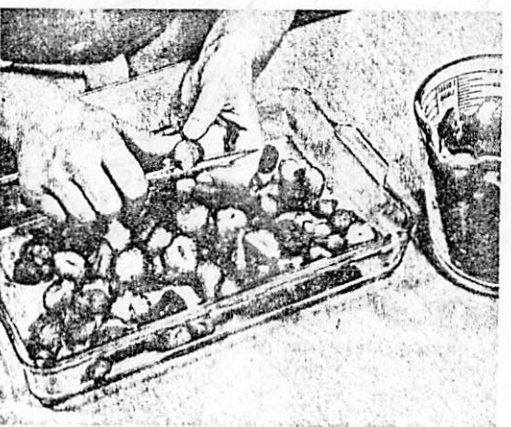
- Select firm, ripe strawberries—about  $\frac{2}{3}$  quart fresh berries are needed for each pint frozen.

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- Wash berries a few at a time in cold water. Lift berries gently out of water and drain.

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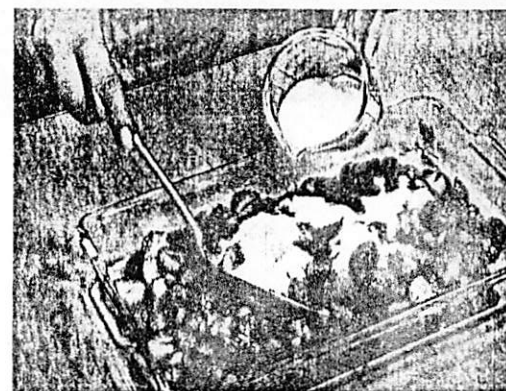


- Remove hulls; then slice berries into a bowl or shallow pan.

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- Sprinkle sugar over berries— $\frac{3}{4}$  cup to each quart ( $1\frac{1}{3}$  pounds) berries. Turn berries over and over until sugar is dissolved and juice is formed.

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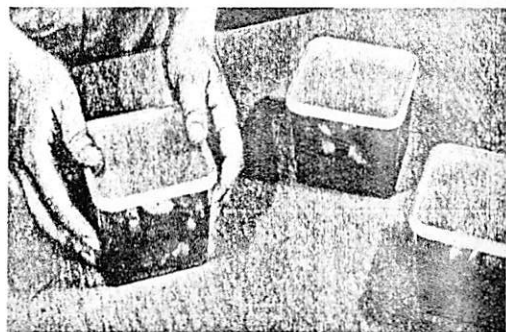
- Pack berries in container, leaving  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch head space in the wide-mouth pint box. Place a small piece of crumpled parchment paper on top of berries. Press berries down into juice.

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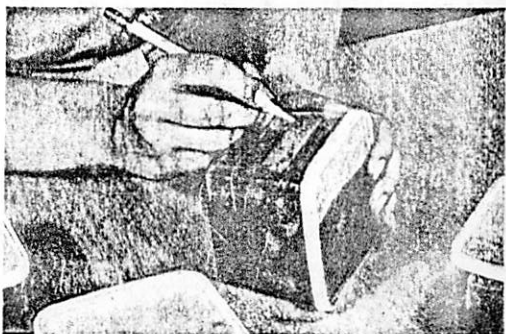
- Press lid on firmly to seal. Be sure the seal is watertight.

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- Label package with name of fruit and date frozen. Freeze; then store at  $0^{\circ}$  F. or below.

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### MEAT HAULING AND PEDDLING

Related to the mining industry was the business of supplying food and vegetables to the miners. Crops were raised in abundance, and the mining communities promised a source of cash to the Midway farmers. Some who began regular peddling routes included William Coleman Sr., Emil Kohler, Ulrich Probst, Austin Kelly, John Carrol, August Kohler, Ernest Kohler, Albert Kohler, Francis Probst and Reed Kohler. At first the trips were made in horse-drawn buggies or sleighs in the winter time and then later in trucks. The trips with horses, particularly in winter blizzards were memorable feats of endurance. This type of business ended around the time of World War I when laws were passed requiring refrigeration of meats and slaughtering in government inspected plants.

### STORES

Little is known about stores operated in the very early settlements of Midway. Henry and Mary Jane Coleman had a store in connection with their saw mill in the Upper Settlement before the Fort was built.

Richard Sherlock operated a store in the Fort on the square. James Gunn and George Snyder had small stores in the first years of the town.

James B. Wilson ran a store in one room of his home. The business was taken care of by Mrs. Wilson, leaving time for Mr. Wilson to go for supplies and take care of his farm. It was hard to keep supplies coming in all of the stores of this period. The merchants traded their store goods for eggs, butter, grain, hay and other produce. Not much money was exchanged. The children of these earlier days remember trading eggs and squirrel tails at Wilson's store for hard rock candy they loved.

Common to all the early merchants were the hardships borne to stock their stores to satisfy the needs of the people. All stocks were brought in by team. The roads were often difficult to travel, and wholesale stocks were limited.

The old-Co-op store stood where the present Rose Garden grows. It was run by Bishop David Van Wagoner for the stockholders. Later he purchased the store. It was a typical general store of the time. The Post Office was in the same building. From an advertisement we learn that the store was flourishing in 1891. It was a prosperous store and its barns and sheds were filled with hay, grain, and farm produce to be used as medium of exchange. Many of the older people of the town gathered here to talk over their day's work, their crops, politics, and the weather. After Bishop Van Wagoner retired from the operation of the store, his son, David L. Van Wagoner, took charge of it. Later his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. David Murdock operated it. Mr. Mark Jeffs of Heber City purchased the store and for a number of years it was managed by Mr. Jeff's daughter, Emma, and her husband, John A. Fortie. Leah Kohler clerked in the Co-op for years.

Mr. and Mrs. David Murdock ran a store later in their home, now owned by David E. Provost.

Gottfried Buhler operated a store in his home, and then built a store near his house. Mary Jane Abplanalp clerked for Mr. Buhler. Later he built a new store by the German Hall. This store was a very well-stocked establishment. Mr. Buhler's daughter, Adeline (Ardell), helped her father. Finally the store closed and was converted into a creamery.

Another store which had a long life was one operated by Gottlieb Probst in his home. He carried candy and small items of merchandise. Mr. Probst was crippled and conducted his business from a chair. It was here that for many years the young people would gather in the evening to visit and sing. Mr. Probst loved the youth of the community.

One of the oldest continuously operated stores in the town was the Bonner Mercantile Store. George Bonner, Sr., aided by his sons, George and William Bonner, began this business in his home. It was a small enterprise at first, and then as business grew and the sons took it over, it justified a large new building where the store presently stands. This was built in 1879. George bought his brother's share. He proved to be a highly esteemed merchant and his business prospered. His daughters, Phemie and Margaret, clerked for him. Later his youngest daughter, June, became the bookkeeper. After Mr. Bonner's death, his daughter, Margaret, and her husband, Albert Stewart, purchased the business. June remained as bookkeeper. Mrs. Stewart did all the buying. Mr. Stewart brought in the merchandise and then delivered the purchases to far-away customers. He made his deliveries to the mines in the area, both winter and summer. The store was a general country store and supplied practically all the needs of the community. In 1948 Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stewart retired from business and sold the store to Mr. and Mrs. Leland Ivers. Mrs. Ivers is the daughter of Thomas Bonner, a brother of George Bonner. So the store has really never left the Bonner family. It was renamed "Iver's Mercantile," has been remodeled and modernized, and is today a prosperous, up-to-date general store.

Mr. and Mrs. William Watkins operated a small store near their home in connection with the Post Office. Mr. Watkins also put up ice for sale. His store housed, for several years, the only telephone in town and only the most important messages were telephoned in.

For some time in the history of the town, the sweet tooth of the community was satisfied by the ice cream and candy sold by William Watkins and Thomas Hair.

Mr. Hair was the town barber for years. He established his shop and a confectionery in the pot-rock building adjacent to the big rock building on Main Street that served as the dance and theatre auditorium. Both buildings were erected by George Bonner and they still stand. The large building is now the Wasatch Stake Bishops' Storehouse.

Bishop Henry T. Coleman and Simon Epperson opened a store in